



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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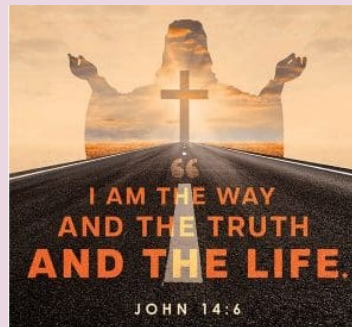
Headteacher: Mrs Kathryn Berry

1st May 2026

## TRUST

Knowing who to trust is really important. A friend who can be trusted is a gift from God! Who does your child really trust and why do they trust them? How can we show God, and others, that we are people who they can trust? Perhaps we can always try to: tell the truth; choose to do the right thing; be generous with our God-given gifts of time, talent and money; keep our promises.

Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for teaching us the truth and showing us the way to everlasting life. Please help us always to place our trust in you. Amen.



## SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING—YEAR ONE

Year One have been very busy this week. In Maths, they have been practically exploring with multiplication and division and here in art you can see their blind drawing of feathers as they explore the topic of birds. Well done Year One!



*We work, learn and grow together in God's love*



## Weekly Awards



Congratulations to **Zach West** for achieving the **Headteacher's Award** this week. Zach is such a kind, considerate and respectful St Joseph's pupil who works very hard. He has wonderful manners and is a super role model for everyone. Well done Zach!

Year Group	Worker of the week	Reader of the week	Values Award
Reception	Daniel Hales	Amelie McGrillen	Charlie Rudd
Year One	Ryan Heyworth	Romie Hayes	Isobel Kenyon
Year Two	Ava Walsh	Harry Duxbury	Cora Easy
Year Three	Grayson Reid	Dexter Hopkins	Theo Sagar
Year Four	Harlan Sharples	Phoebe Morris	Sophia Tobin
Year Five	Maya Middlemas	Matilda Speakman	Eddison Seaton
Year Six	Elliott Marley	Kobey Halliday	Louis Tobin

## Attendance

Weekly Attendance	
Reception Class	97.03%
Year One	93.98%
Year Two	96.33%
Year Three	98.00%
Year Four	92.57%
Year Five	97.11%
Year Six	95.70%





## Notices

### COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

We would like to invite the parents / carers of children in **Year Five** to join us for their class assembly on **Friday 15th May**. The theme of their assembly is Our Lady with it being the month of May.

**Year One** would also like to invite their parents / carers to assembly on **Friday 22nd May** with the theme Pentecost.

Both assemblies will take place in the school hall and begin at **9:15am** until 10am.

### SPELLING BEE

A huge well done to the **Year Five** Spelling team who took part in the Holy Cross **Spelling Bee** competition against the other Catholic feeder schools on Thursday.

Under very intense pressure with many people watching, the team spelt many words correctly and **won** the whole competition. Well done to Harry, Reuben, Samuel and Noah!



### SCHOOL TRIPS

We have a very busy term ahead so please keep your eye on important dates.

**Year Three** trip to **Bolton Museum** on **Wednesday 13th May**

**Year Five** trip to **Hoghton Tower** on **Monday 18th May**

**Reception Class** trip to **Blindhurst Farm** on **Thursday 21st May**

**Year One and Two** trip to **Eureka** on **Thursday 4th June**



### MESSAGE FROM IMPRESSIONS

#### (Uniform Supplier)

At Impressions our aim is to make uniform shopping hassle free. In doing so, we aim to keep our uniform costs as low as possible, whilst keeping our service the same. We're happy to announce that we have **FINALLY** launched Primary School Discounted Uniform Packages.

These packages are not just for reception, they are priced for items up to age 11-12, however they can be purchased in bigger sizes also. They are also discounted for the first 6 weeks (until 31<sup>st</sup> May).

Here is a link to the packages – [https://](https://impressionsuniform.co.uk/collections/primary-school-uniform-packages)

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## ATTENDANCE

### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

**ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL**  
Children are required by law to attend school 180 days per year. The Government states that where health attendance is below 85%.

How do YOU measure up?

Attendance	Days	Weeks	Lessons
95%	9 Days	2 Weeks	50 Lessons
90%	19 Days	4 Weeks	100 Lessons
85%	29 Days	6 Weeks	150 Lessons
80%	38 Days	8 Weeks	200 Lessons
75%	48 Days	10 Weeks	250 Lessons
70%	57 Days	13.5 Weeks	290 Lessons
65%	67 Days	13.5 Weeks	340 Lessons

89% & Below  
Drastic effect on academic achievement

95%-90%  
Cause for concern

100%-96%  
Excellent

# CRAFTERSCHOOL CLUB

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# JOIN AN iROCK BAND TODAY

iRock

There are spaces in bands at your school  
secure a spot and join the fun!

At iRock, children experience the thrill of being in a band! Led by our passionate and professional Band Coaches, our weekly 30-minute in-school band lessons are designed for pupils from from age 4 to 11.

## Music for all!

Through our partnership with **RSL Awards (Ofqual-regulated)**, a global provider of creative and performing arts qualifications, iRock offers **exam-free music qualifications** as part of our curriculum. Each week, children build their musical skills, confidence, and teamwork as they progress through iRock lessons, all within a welcoming and inclusive environment where every child feels they belong.

## Feel like a rockstar!

The excitement culminates every term in a live concert, where children perform as a band for their families and peers. These performances sit at the heart of the iRock curriculum, bringing together the skills children have developed in lessons while offering more than just a showcase; they provide an opportunity to build self-esteem, strengthen confidence, and experience the joy of accomplishment.

## Choose your instrument...



VOCALS



GUITAR



DRUMS



KEYS



Hassle-free, rolling **monthly subscription\***



**No experience needed** and all instruments are provided



Every lesson supports progress towards music qualifications with **RSL Awards**



Parents/guardians can access our **online portal** for updates, pictures and videos



**First lesson money-back guarantee** (and you can cancel at anytime)



Start your child's  
iRock journey!

# ENROL NOW

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\*Monthly cost shown after selecting your child's school (before enrolment is confirmed)

## Dates for Summer 2026

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>MAY</b> <b>11th—</b> <b>14th</b>	<b>SATs week</b>	<b>JUNE</b>  <b>3rd</b>	<b>SPORTS DAY</b> <b>KS2 AM</b> <b>KS1 PM</b> <b>More details to follow</b>
<b>15th</b>	<b>*Date change - Year 5 Class Assembly @ 9:15am</b> <b>Y3 Trip to Bolton Museum</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>Y1 &amp; Y2 trip to Eureka</b>
<b>16th</b>	<b>Y4 First Holy Communion @ 10am in Church</b>	<b>5th</b>	<b>Y3 'Laudato Si' Assembly</b>
<b>18th</b>	<b>Year 5 trip to Hoghton Tower</b> <b>New intake transition meeting @ 6pm</b>	<b>10th</b>	<b>Y1-Y6 Quadkids (details to follow)</b> <b>Y5 Learn2Ride (details to follow)</b>
<b>19th</b>	<b>PTFA Bake-Off (more details to follow)</b>	<b>11th</b>	<b>Lancashire Sings</b> <b>Adlington Cricket Tournament</b>
<b>21st</b>	<b>EYFS Farm Trip</b>	<b>12th</b>	<b>Y6 visit to the Houses of Parliament</b>
<b>22nd</b>	<b>Year 1 Pentecost Assembly @ 9.15am</b>	<b>18th</b>	<b>Travelling Science Show</b>
		<b>22nd &amp; 23rd</b>	<b>Y5 Bikeability</b>

## Dates for Summer 2026 conts

Date	Event	Date	Event
<b><u>June</u> Contd.</b>			
<b>25th</b>	<b>i-Rock Concert @ 2.45pm</b>	<b>17th</b>	<b>School Closes for Summer</b>
<b>30th</b>	<b>Holy Cross New Intake Meeting@ 6pm</b>		
<b><u>JULY</u></b>			
<b>2nd</b>	<b>Year 6 Induction Day</b>		
<b>2nd</b>	<b>Swimming Gala</b>		
<b>6th</b>	<b>Year 4 to Liverpool Cathedral (details to follow)</b>		
<b>14th</b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers' Mass @ 10am Year 5/6 Performance @ 6pm</b>		
<b>15th</b>	<b>Year 5/6 Performance @ 1.30pm</b>		
<b>16th</b>	<b>Year 6 Leavers' Celebration @ 6pm</b>		